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## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Hoang X Ngo
TAKEO SHOJI	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 10/702,613	)	
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Filed: November 7, 2003	)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS,	)	March 24, 2004
CARTRIDGE, IMAGE FORMATION	:	
SYSTEM, AND STORAGE MEDIUM	)	
FOR CARTRIDGE	:	
Commissioner for Patents		
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## Request for Clarification of Status of Claims 8 and 12

Sir:

The cover page of the March 9, 2005 Office Action indicates that Claims 8 and 12 are rejected, but the remainder of the Office Action does not mention these claims or the grounds of rejection.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the issuance of a paper clarifying the status of Claims 8 and 12.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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